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U.S.S.N.: 10/027,185

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FOR: DISPLAY DEVICE UTILIZING A PLURALITY OF ADJOINING DISPLAY PANELS TO FORM SINGLE DISPLAY SCREEN AND METHODS RELATED THERETO

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**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please further preliminarily amend the subject application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

**Amend** claim 27 to read as follows:

27. (AMENDED) The display device as set forth in claim 46, wherein:

each display panel is a liquid crystal display panel including a pair of

substrates which sandwich a liquid crystal.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a Second Preliminary Amendment for this application.

STATUS

[ ] a small entity. A statement:

[ ] is attached.

[ ] was already filed.

[X] other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

NOTE: "Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) — If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.

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NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 C.F.R. § 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

*(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)*

(a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

	Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
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<input type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$ 920.00	\$ 460.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 720.00

Fee: \$0.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

☐ An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

(b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

[Col. 1]	[Col. 2]	[Col. 3] Small Entity			Other Than a Small Entity	
Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	Rate	Additional Fee
Total 32	Minus 31	= 0	x \$ 9 =	\$0.00	x \$ 18 =	<b>\$18.00</b>
Indep. 6	Minus 5	= 0	x \$42 =	\$0.00	x \$ 84 =	<b>\$84.00</b>
[ ] First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim			+\$140 =		+ \$280 =	
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- \* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "O" in Col. 3,  
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(complete (c) or (d), as applicable)

- (c) [ ] No additional fee for claims is required.

**OR**

- (d) [X] Total additional fee for claims required **\$ 102.00**.

## FEE PAYMENT

5. [X] Attached is a check in the sum of **\$ 102.00** to cover the fee for additional claims.  
 [ ] Charge Account No. 04-1105 the sum of \$  
 A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

## FEE DEFICIENCY

*NOTE: If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, (1065 O.G. 31-33).*

6. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 04-1105.

## AND/OR

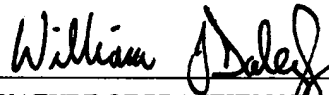
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